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Ms. Beth Forbus and Ms. Michelle Shaughnessy  
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Greetings Ms. Forbus and Ms. Shaughnessy,

In accordance with the Statement of Work dated March 30, 2018, Wood Environment & Infrastructure Solutions, Inc. (formerly known as Amec Foster Wheeler Environment & Infrastructure, Inc.) is pleased to submit the completed Peer Review (without attribution) of the Scientific Findings in U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Species Status Assessment for the Monarch Butterfly (*Danaus plexippus plexippus*).

The draft Species Status Assessment was provided to six reviewers on July 2, 2018 and the associated literature cited was provided to the reviewers on July 11, 2018. Each reviewer independently evaluated the material and prepared their individual responses to the questions included in the Statement of Work. After receipt of each individual review, I assigned a random number to each review, proofread them, ensured all reviews were in the same format, and coordinated with the reviewer for any clarifications and approval of typographical edits. Individual reviews were received between July 25, 2018 and September 26, 2018.

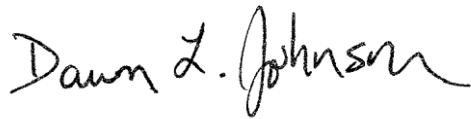
The six reviewers, all of whom have experience with monarch butterflies and/or similar butterfly species, included:

- Sharon Bewick, PhD, Assistant Professor at Clemson University
- Vera Krischik, PhD, Associate Professor at University of Minnesota
- Marcus Kronforst, PhD, Associate Professor at University of Chicago
- Ryan Norris, PhD, Associate Professor at University of Guelph (Canada)
- J. Michael Reed, PhD, Professor at Tufts University
- Ryan Walsh, PhD, Conservation Coordinator at Toledo Zoo



Enclosed with this letter are the six reviews with randomly assigned numbers, along with the resume for each reviewer. The draft summary report will be provided later today and the official record will be provided prior to the contract end date and after completion of the question and answer (Q&A) period. Please contact Dawn Johnson at (805) 252-4370 if you have any questions or need clarification on the process or for any of the reviews.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dawn L. Johnson". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Dawn L. Johnson, PhD  
Project Manager

Enclosures: Individual Reviews and Resumes

